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1. IN MAKING APPROACH TO SAG REQUESTED BY JORDANIAN PRIME
MINISTER (PARA 4 REFTEL) AMBASSADOR THACHER SHOULD SAY THAT
USG HAS MADE ALL- OUT EFFORT TO ASSIST JORDAN. OUR TOTAL
AID PACKAGE FOR JORDAN THIS YEAR WILL RUN TO \$105 MILLION.
THIS INCLUDES \$55 MILLION IN SUPPORTING ASSISTANCE, \$40
MILLION IN MAP FOR JORDANIAN ARMY MODERNIZATION PROGRAM, AND
A \$10 MILLION DEVELOPMENT LOAN WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN
SIGNED. FIGURE OF \$55 MILLION FOR SUPPORTING ASSISTANCE
REPRESENTS AN INCREASE OF \$5 MILLION OVER \$50 MILLION
US SUPPORTING ASSISTANCE FOR JORDAN LAST YEAR. THIS IN-
CREASE WAS UNDERTAKEN AT DIRECTION OF PRESIDENT FOLLOWING
FULL SCALE USG REVIEW OF OUR OWN PROGRAM AND JORDAN'S PRES-
SING NEEDS. WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE GONE FURTHER BUT FACE

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SEVERE LIMITATIONS ON FOREIGN ASSISTANCE FUNDS; EVEN MODEST
INCREASE WE HAVE UNDERTAKEN IN SUPPORTING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
FOR JORDAN LIKELY TO BE AT EXPENSE OF OTHER COUNTRY
PROGRAMS.

2. AMBASSADOR SHOULD STRESS THAT IN VIEW OF MAGNITUDE OF
EFFORT USG MAKING WE STRONGLY HOPE SAG WILL BE ABLE TO
INCREASE SUBSTANTIALLY ITS CONTRIBUTION TO GOJ, WHICH WE
THINK IS BEST CONTRIBUTION THAT CAN BE MADE TO STABILITY
OF AREA AND TO SAG'S OWN SECURITY. ROGERS

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